

Virtual Public Immunization Events in Connecticut

National Infant Immunization Week (NHW) is yearly observance highlighting the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases and promoting healthy communities. **NHW resources**: https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niiw/ed-resources.html



Below are the local Immunization Action Plan (IAP) Coordinator's virtual and social media events:

Bridgeport, Stamford and Greenwich area IAP

Contact: Sarah Altieri, IAP Coordinator (203) 372-5503 x16 saltieri@swctahec.org

April 24th – **May 1**st Check out Facebook for information, videos and educational opportunities for the community and healthcare professionals in the area focusing on immunizations and their importance for infants and prenatal women: https://www.facebook.com/SouthwesternAHEC/ and https://swctahec.org/

April 24, 2021 10:00am Greenwich YMCA "Healthy Kids Day" 50 E Putnam Ave, Greenwich, CT 06830 - will be distributing educational materials provided by IAP.

April 24 – May 1, 2021 Bridgeport and Greenwich Hospitals will be distributing bags filled with educational materials provided by IAP.

Need help finding your baby a primary care provider? Have questions about infant immunizations? Give us a call (203) 372-5503 ext 16

Hartford and Greater Hartford IAP

Contact: Sandra Sapere, IAP Coordinator (860) 527-0856 x122 sandras@hispanichealthcouncil.org

April 24th – **May 1**st Check out the multiple messages posted each day of the week to educate parents and caregivers about the importance of vaccination in protecting their children from birth against vaccine-preventable diseases and about vaccine safety. Like us on:

- https://www.facebook.com/HispanicHealthCouncil/
- https://twitter.com/hisphealth_ct
- https://www.instagram.com/hispanichealthcouncil_ct/
- https://www.hispanichealthcouncil.org/

April 24- May 1, 2021 HHC staff, community partners, and parents -look for your educational materials by email

April 24- May 1, 2021 IAP staff will distribute bags with immunization information, and the 2021 immunization schedule to more than 200 mothers who are participants of the Maternal and Child Health Departments from the Hispanic Health Council and the City of Hartford Health and Human Services Department.

April 24- May 1, 2021 IAP staff will work with the Maria Sanchez and Betances school to check all children enrolled in the after-school program to make sure they are all up to date with immunization before the start of the school year.



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Ledge Light Health District IAP

Contact: Cindy Barry, MA, IAP Coordinator (860) 448-4882 ext. 1302 cbarry@llhd.org

April 24 – **May 1, 2021** Social Media Posts: We will post on Saturday, April 24th to kick off the week to Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter daily during NIIW and at least twice per week thereafter, Like us on:

- https://www.facebook.com/LedgeLightHD
- https://www.instagram.com/ledgelighthd/
- https://twitter.com/LedgeLightHD

Check out the updates on the following websites:

- Immunization Page: https://llhd.org/healthy-communities/preventing-communicable-disease/immunization/
- Immunization Action Program: https://llhd.org/healthy-communities/preventing-communicable-disease/immunization-action-program/

April 24 – May 1, 2021 Check out the Joint press release with the TVCCA WIC office sent out to 49 contacts Ad in the local paper

April 24 – May 1, 2021 Look for the posted flyers and ads in WIC offices, Early Childhood Education, Pediatrician offices and social service settings

Naugatuck Valley IAP

Contact: Elizabeth Green, BS, IAP Coordinator (203) 881-3255 egreen@nvhd.org

April 24 – May 1, 2021 Throughout the week, we will be posting on social media to educate parents and caregivers about the importance of vaccination in protecting their children from birth against vaccine-preventable diseases, and about vaccine safety. Like us on:

- https://www.facebook.com/NaugatuckValleyHD/,
- https:twitter.com/NaugValleyHD,
- https://www.instagram.com/naugatcukvalleyhd,
- www.nvhd.org

New Britain IAP

Contact: Meeghan Doris, MPH, IAP Coordinator (860) 612-2777 meeghan.doris@newbritainct.gov

April 24- May 1, 2021 Immunization information and videos for parents about the importance of being up-to date with all children's vaccines, and vaccine schedules will be posted daily on social media: https://www.facebook.com/City-of-New-Britain-Health-Department-1234468176655259

April 24- May 1, 2021 Central Connecticut Family Birth Place will give out bags with educational immunization information, a vaccine record keeping booklet and other IAP provided items to new moms. (English and Spanish)



Virtual Public Immunization Events in Connecticut New Haven and West Haven IAP

Contact: Jennifer Roberts, IAP Coordinator (203) 946-7257 JARoberts@newhavenct.gov

April 24- May 1, 2021 Throughout the week, we will be posting about infant immunizations at: www.newhavenct.gov/gov/depts/health

April 24- May 1, 2021 Providers, look for your NIIW Educational Materials!

April 24- May 1, 2021 PSA announcement on WYBC Radio Station

April 25, 2021 12:30pm -2:00pm St. John's Missionary Baptist Church 37 White St, New Haven CT Educational Table set up with educational materials

April 28, 2021 10:30am-2:00pm Spring of Life Giving Water Church, 375 Howard Ave New Haven Educational Table set up with educational materials

April 29, 2021 10:00am-2:00pm NHHD Gateway Center Building, 54 Meadow St. New Haven CT Educational Table set up with educational materials

April 24- May 1, 2021 Distributing NIIW flyer to providers in West Haven area to display in offices

Norwalk/Danbury area IAP

Contact: Pam Bates, RN, BSN, Norwalk area IAP Coordinator (203) 216-0575 ptb50@aol.com Contact: Becky Mayberry, Danbury/Ridgefield area IAP Coordinator (203) 970-5443 mayberry@norwalkct.org

April 29, 2021 Time TBD "Shots for Tots" Talk for FCA's, Parents as Teachers (PAT) Program Norwalk Health Department staff will provide a virtual presentation to families enrolled in the Parents as Teacher's Program (PAT). PAT is a support program for young families offered by Family and Children's Agency (FCA) of Norwalk. Attendees will learn about vaccinations needed for young children, the immunization schedule, the CT Immunization Information System (CT WiZ), and receive tips on how to keep their children upto-date. The event is FREE for FCA clients. It is *not* open to the public. Those interested in learning more about Family and Children Agency's family support programs may contact: Margaret Woglom at (203) 523-5341 or email: mwoglom@fcagency.org

April 24- May 1, 2021 Norwalk Hospital maternity unit, 34 Maple Street, Norwalk, CT and Danbury Hospital maternity unit, 24 Hospital Ave., Danbury, CT. Immunization information for pregnant women and infants will be posted and available for the taking on the Norwalk and Danbury Hospital maternity units. CT's Immunization Information System (IIS), "CT WiZ" will be highlighted.

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- Check out posts about infant immunizations at: https://www.facebook.com/norwalkhealth
- Follow Norwalk Health Department's tweets about infant immunizations at: @norwalkhealth
- Information about the childhood immunization program, immunization schedules, and CT WiZ can be found on the Norwalk Health Department's website: www.norwalkct.org/health

April 24- May 1, 2021 IAP staff will deliver free resources that display positive vaccine messaging to Norwalk and Danbury area pediatric providers that they can give to patients and families to promote immunizations.



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Torrington Area IAP

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April 24- May 1, 2021 Charlotte Hungerford Hospital Maternity Floor, 540 Litchfield Street, Torrington CT - Display with information about Childhood Immunizations

April 24- May 1, 2021 District's headquarter 350 Main Street, Torrington CT 06790 - Display board with information about immunizations in the parking lot

April 24- May 1, 2021 Throughout the week, we will be posting evidence based information about vaccines: https://www.facebook.com/TAHD1968

April 24- May 1, 2021 TAHD will partner with Torrington WIC and the following message will be texted and emailed to WIC's clients as well as posted on WIC's Facebook page: "April 24-May 1, 2021 is National Infant Immunization Week, *CDC recommends families check with their healthcare providers to make sure children are up to date on routinely recommended vaccines, even during the pandemic.* For more information visit www.tahd.org."

April 24- May 1, 2021 TAHD will partner with Torrington Family Strides and the following message will be texted and emailed to Family Stride's clients as well as posted on their Facebook page: "April 24-May 1, 2021 is National Infant Immunization Week, *CDC recommends families check with their healthcare providers to make sure children are up to date on routinely recommended vaccines, even during the pandemic.* For more information visit www.tahd.org."

Waterbury IAP

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April 24- May 1, 2021 Online EVENTS ARE FREE and for the PUBLIC

Waterbury Immunization Program will conduct online activities with the Waterbury Health Department throughout National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW). Immunization staff will post videos and education materials on the importance of immunizations for the target audience of children, parents and pregnant mothers.

Daily Online Activities can be found here: www.facebook.com/waterburyhealthdepartment

April 29, 2021 Waterbury Immunization Program will be providing Team Inc. Early Childhood Program with CT WiZ tote bags that will include educational items and brochures such as "Shots for Tots" booklet, Vaccine Safety-What every parent should know booklet, 9 Reasons to immunize your child booklet, Milestones Moments book, My child's immunization record book, CT WiZ pen and "I need my baby shots on time, every time!" bib with recommended childhood immunization schedule to be distributed to parents of children attending program.

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